



Wendt v. Pratt, 154 F.R.D. 229, 230 (D. Minn. 1994) (internal quotation marks and citations omitted) (cited in 10A C. Wright, A. Miller & M. Kane, Federal Practice & Procedure § 2682 (3d ed. 2006)). Applying these same principles to the facts at bar, the Court finds no justification for entry of default against the Defendants, especially where Plaintiff is in actual receipt of the answer, has suffered no obvious prejudice from the *de minimis* delay, and granting an entry of default would unfairly punish the Defendants.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Plaintiff Bradley G. Crump's Motion for Entry of Default (Doc. No. 11) is hereby DENIED, and Defendants' late answer is accepted by the Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed: July 31, 2018

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Frank D. Whitney", written over a horizontal line.

Frank D. Whitney  
Chief United States District Judge

